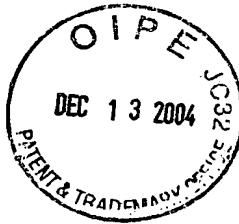


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In re application of: **Andreas HUND et al.**
 Serial No.: 10/752,258
 Filed: 01/06/2004
 For: **TUBE FOR A MICROSCOPE**

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Transmitted herewith is a **Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages) with PTO-1449 (1 page) and cited references** in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been previously established.
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☒ The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.
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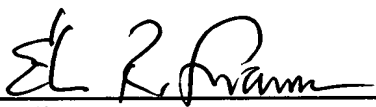
In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, Applicants hereby make of record the documents listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 (1 page) for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. While the references are being submitted herewith, some or all of the references may not constitute prior art under the U.S. patent laws.

Some of the references listed on the accompanying PTO-1449 Form were cited in a German language European Search Report, a copy of which is submitted herewith together with a brief translation thereof and copies of the foreign patent documents listed.

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.97 (b), before the mailing date of a First Office Action, therefore no fee is believed due. If any additional fees are deemed to be due at this time, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of the same to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

It is respectfully requested that the references cited in the accompanying PTO-1449 form be considered and made of record. It is respectfully submitted that the pending claims are patentable over all of the references made of record at this time.

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